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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant submits herewith references which he believes may be material to the examination of this application and with respect to which there may be a duty to disclose in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56.

While the references may be "material" under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, it is not intended to constitute an admission that the references are "prior art" unless specifically designated as such.

The filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed as a representation that no other material references than those listed exist or that a search has been conducted.

The references are listed in PTO form 1449 which is in accordance with the requirements of M.P.E.P. 609. A copy of the references is also enclosed...

The references are as follows:

1. Trebosc, et al., WO 96/37180, November 28, 1996
2. Goze, et al., WO 91/01970, February 21, 1991
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It is respectfully requested that these references be considered by the Patent and Trademark Office in its examination of the above-identified application and be made a record therein. The Examiner is also invited to contact the Undersigned if there are any questions concerning this paper or the attached references.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted before the first Office Action on the merits of this application. Therefore, no fee is believed due.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures

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